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APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR AUTOMATICALLY AUTHENTICATING

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AMENDMENT WITH REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

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Applicant is filing this Amendment and Response concurrently with an RCE.

The Office issued a Final on February 23, 2004 and the Applicant filed a Response on April 23, 2004. The Office issued an Advisory on August 23, 2004 because it apparently lost or did not receive the Response although the office had it as being received within PAIR. Applicant therefore believes the that extension of fees is calculated as of August 23, 2004, which is the date the Office mailed the Advisory and the date this RCE and Amendment and Response is being concurrently filed.

The Examiner's attention is directed to MPEP 706.07(f)(F), where it is clearly stated when a valid reply to a Final is received within the two-month window, the Examiner should vacate the original Shortened Statutory Period of time (SSP) and reset it to expire on the date the Advisory is mailed, which according to conversations with the Applicant (on August 23, 2004), occurred on August 23, 2004.

However, if the Examiner disagrees with this assessment, the Applicant hereby authorizes the Office to take the appropriate extension fee from the below listed deposit account and consider this also a Petition for the appropriate extension of time.